

Afcons Emerges As the Lowest Bidder for Jaipur Metro Phase 1C Civil Work Contract

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Afcons Infrastructure emerged as the lowest bidder for the civil construction contract (Package UG-03) of a new phase of Jaipur Metro. This new phase, known as Phase 1C, will extend the existing Pink Line by 3.41 km, connecting Badi Chaupar to Transport Nagar.

In this expansion, 2.65 km of the route will be constructed underground through the old city using twin tunnels, and there will be a new station at Ramganj Chaupar. Additionally, 0.76 km of the route will be elevated with another new station at Transport Nagar.

The scope of JMRC's project includes "Design and Construction of Twin Tunnel using Shield TBM, Underground Station (Ramganj Chaupar), Cut and Cover Tunnel Box and Underground Ramp from Badi Chaupar dead end Ch:10387.860 to Underground ramp end Ch:13040 of Jaipur Metro Phase-1C

including Architectural finishing, Entry-Exit Structures, water supply, Sanitary Installations and Drainage Works at Jaipur, Rajasthan."

The Jaipur Metro Rail Corporation (JMRC) had sought bids for the underground section's construction in June 2023. The technical bids from different companies were opened last week, revealing four bidders.

Here are the financial bid values from the competing firms:

Afcons Infrastructure: Rs. 630.45 crore

• Sam India Builtwell: Rs. 651.22 crore

• ITD Cementation: Rs. 735.18 crore

• J Kumar Infraprojects: Rs. 750.45 crore

Afcons Infrastructure's bid was notably lower than <u>JMRC</u>'s estimated cost of Rs. 717.23 crore, indicating the potential for a contract to be awarded in the coming months without prolonged financial bid evaluation.

The Detailed Project Report (DPR) for Jaipur Metro Phase 1C was prepared by the Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) in June 2020. DMRC, serving as the General Consultant for the project, had previously suggested that the existing 10 4-car BEML trainsets would suffice for this extension, eliminating the need for additional rolling stock.